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## 0648-0309 Fwd: Fw: fishing is not sustainable itss been allowed to take all you can public commetn on federal ergisteer

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Mon, Jan 13, 2025 at 9:53 AM

To: NMFS PRA Coordinator - NOAA Service Account <nmfs.pra.coordinator@noaa.gov>, Chris Wright - NOAA Federal <chris.wright@noaa.gov>

Cc: NOAA PRA - NOAA Service Account <noaa.pra@noaa.gov>

Good Morning -

The below comment was received in response to the 60-day FRN for 0648-0309. This comment must be addressed in the Supporting Statement Q8.

Thank you,  
Adrienne

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"Do your work, then step back. The only path to serenity." -- Lao Tzu

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Jean Public** <[jeanpublic1@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanpublic1@yahoo.com)>

Date: Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 6:56 PM

Subject: Fw: fishing is not sustainable itss been allowed to take all you can public commetn on federal ergisteer

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taxpayers have been paying to see that experimental permits have been issued and sci research permits also issued for last 75 years. isnt it time that the eperiments are over. havent we learned enough from 75 years of this tax paid for experiments? where are the reports of what we have learned from all those years.

for the next 5 years we need study to evaluate what we have paid for and what has resulted from it instead of keeping doing the same thing over and over without any result from it. the crux is what have we learned that has taught us anything at all.

this process of doing the same thing year after year after year without review of what we are accomplishing has no merit. this agency needs a new scientific purpose here. certainly what this agency has been doing has caused the loss of almost every species of fish in our american oceans.

lets shake up the project. lets have some reports on what you have accomplished. we have the same old fat cat bureaucracy going on here, unproductive as can be. do not support this spending. jean public [jeanpublic1@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanpublic1@yahoo.com)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Scientific Research, Exempted Fishing, and Exempted

## Educational Activity Submissions

AGENCY: National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection, request for comment.

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SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to the Office of Management and Budget.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before March 10, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to Adrienne Thomas, NOAA PRA Officer, at [Adrienne.thomas@noaa.gov](mailto:Adrienne.thomas@noaa.gov). Please

reference Office of Management and Budget (OMB)  
Control Number 0648-  
0309 in the subject line of your comments. Do not  
submit Confidential  
Business Information or otherwise sensitive or  
protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for  
additional information or  
specific questions related to collection

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activities should be directed to Christopher Wright,  
Fishery Policy  
Analyst, NOAA Fisheries, 1315 East West Highway,  
Silver Spring, MD  
20910, 301-427-8570, and [chris.wright@noaa.gov](mailto:chris.wright@noaa.gov).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Abstract

This request is for an extension of a currently  
approved  
information collection.

Under section 318(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens  
Fishery and  
Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens  
Act) [16 U.S.C. 1801,  
et seq.], as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act  
[Pub. L. 104-  
297], the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) is  
required to promulgate  
regulations that create an expedited, uniform, and

regionally-based process to promote issuance, where practicable, of experimental fishing permits. Regulations under 50 CFR 648.12 and 50 CFR 600.745 establish processes for scientific research plans as well as exempted fishing and exempted educational activities that are exempted from applicable fishing regulations. Fishing regulations do not generally affect scientific research activities conducted by a scientific research vessel. Persons planning to conduct such research are encouraged to submit a scientific research plan to ensure that the activities are considered research and not fishing. The researchers are requested to submit reports of their scientific research activity after its completion. Eligible researchers on board federally permitted fishing vessels that plan to temporarily possess fish in a manner not compliant with applicable fishing regulations for the purpose of collecting scientific data on catch may submit a request for a temporary possession letter of authorization. The researchers are requested to submit reports of their scientific research activity after its completion. The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) may also grant

exemptions from fishery regulations for educational or other activities (e.g., using non-regulation gear). The applications for these exemptions must be submitted, as well as reports on activities.

## II. Method of Collection

Information may be submitted on paper or electronically, and in some cases by telephone.

## III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648-0309.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; individuals or households; not for profit organizations; state, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 121.

Estimated Time per Response: Scientific research plans, 13 hours; scientific research reports, 6 hours; exempted fishing permit requests, 10 hours; exempted fishing permit reports, 4.5 hours; exempted educational requests, 5 hours; exempted educational reports, 2.5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,141.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$382.36.

Respondent's Obligation: Mix of Voluntary,  
Required to Obtain or  
Retain Benefits, or Mandatory.

Legal Authority: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery  
Conservation and  
Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801, et seq.).

#### IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the  
Department/Bureau  
to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information  
collection is  
necessary for the proper functions of the Department,  
including whether  
the information will have practical utility; (b)  
Evaluate the accuracy  
of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this  
proposed  
collection, including the validity of the methodology  
and assumptions  
used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality,  
utility, and clarity of  
the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the  
reporting burden  
on those who are to respond, including the use of  
automated collection  
techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this  
notice are a matter of  
public record. We will include or summarize each  
comment in our request  
to OMB to approve this information collection  
request. Before including

your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment--including your personal identifying information--may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,  
Departmental PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the  
Under Secretary for  
Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.  
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